

# DIPLOMACY

## REVIEW VI 1

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Once again its IDA Election Time. This issue contains statements from all the candidates who chose to run for office, and the last page is a detachable ballot to mail to the vote-counter, whoever it is.

DR VI,2 containing the election results will be out by the end of March, hopefully sooner, but nearly six weeks are needed for elections...

Since no opposing disenfranchised votes, or disenfranchised votes of any sort, have been received, I can announce the the new Constitution is definately in effect, altho the present Council is still haggling over the adoption procedures.

If space permits, I will add to the ballot a section to indicate what directions you think DR could be improved in, what added, what dropped, since I'm here to help and advise you, not for my own ego alone.

Whiel things aren't perfect yet, I perceive a significant increase in the number of renewals this month over last time and the time before, and with luck the trend will continue, until IDA membership is once again growing, so that we can try to serve the largest number of people.

### DIPCON / GENERAL MEETING

Since by action of the Council, under Lakofka, I believe, GenCon was designated as the site of the next IDA General Meeting, and presumed site of DipCon 10. With this in mind, I have written to TSR concerning the running of the Diplomacy tournament, and will hopefully have firmed things up to the extent that I will be able to print some definate information in the next issue of DR. Hopefully, I will be able to have any and all relevant info, such as hotel rates (Playboy Club/Resort), Con admission fee, dates, tournament fees, prizes, and everything else of possible interest. Which brings me to

### AVALON HILL / BOARDMAN NUMBERS / DIPLOMACY WORLD / ET AL

In a letter from Don Greenwood (Avalon Hill Co) printed in Everything 30, I have had the dubious pleasure to encounter the problems that the change-over in ownership of Diplomacy from GRI to AH has caused.

For a brief summary, AH has agreed to continue the anual subsidies to Diplomacy World (800) and the BNC (200) that GRI gave out. However, in an economy move, they have requested that the BNC include the contents of Everything in DW, a reasonable request from their position. Doug Beyerlein, the BND, has decided that this would be a direction he doesn't want the BN's to take, and has decided against amalgamation with DW. All fine and good. Then, in an economy move, Doug decided on a \$1 fee for BN's, to which there have been cries of righteous anger and such, enough to give Doug pause, for the BN's will be meaningless unless they are virtually complete and universal.

In an 'Open Letter to the Diplomacy Hobby,' Don Greenwood states, after reviewing the situation, that AH will provide the prizes for tournament at Origins 3, and, assuming that someone volunteers to run the tournament, AH will give the resulting fees to the BNC, to help subsidise the BN's.

This proposal is, on the surface, quite reasonable, but then the implications and provisions (AH specifically places no obligations for turning Origins into DipCon), of this offer/statement come across. Unfortunately, it appears that basically someone else will have to contribute the better part of his time at the Con to run the tourney so

## THE IDA COUNCIL:

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European Secretary: Larry Moran, 9 Ave Alfred Cortot, 1260 Nyon, Switzerland

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that the BNC can recieve the procedes. While I have no objections to volunteers to do this, I don't expect to find any. Altho if no one else is willing, I will run the tourney at Origins 3, I think it proper to run it for IDA, since Don notes that AH recognizes IDA as the "official organization of the Diplomacy hobby." Last year, running the tourney for IDA, Edi Birsan took in what Don reports as \$400. (I can only find record of some \$189...)

Further, Don is under the impression that IDA isn't involved with the BNC. As of the last time I checked IDA was PAYING the BNC a \$0.55 subsidy for each BN assigned! In view of this, I propose that either IDA recieve the whole procedes (if IDA fields a team to run the tournament, and we will) and then perhaps increase the BN and MN subsidies to \$1 per game, giving Doug the money he seems to think he needs; or that if IDA runs the tourney, the procedes of the fees will be split evenly between IDA and the BNC.

Simply, I don't see working like a dog for the better part of my weekend, or asking my friend-GMs to do so, and then sending Doug all the money generated by our efforts. I feel that some sort of inclusion of IDA or the tourney running group in the split up of the fees is necessary to the operation of the tourney.

ORIGINS 3 will be organized by Simulations Publications Inc, write them (44 E 23 St, NY NY 10010) for details. It will be held in Staten Island, NY, probably over the last weekend in July.

Doug & Marie Beyerlein are the Boardman Numbers Co-Custodians, sorry for leaving you out above, Marie.

Sigh. I really wish AH would show some of this care the keep talking about and see to it that their more important communications don't get buried in copies of 1 zine to be mailed out 3rd Class...this letter from Don was written in late December! If AH would deign to communicate with me and/or IDA, it would make things so much more convenient.

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## MEMBERSHIPS

Expiring this issue we have: David Alexander, Patrick Allen, John Gross, Richard Kordofka Jr, Len Lakofka, David Malmquist, Gerlad Rogowski, Rick Solomon, David Staples, Cal White.

You are all kindly requested to either renew your memberships (\$2 to Len Lakofka) or, please, provide me with some reason why you no longer think IDA worth belonging to, as I'm trying to keep IDA alive, rather than merely reduce the rate of death. Letters welcome.

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I really wish that someone out there would write me a letter and give me some feedback. Its very hard to improve/change either DR or the IDA without some idea of what would be considered a move in the right direction or some goals that you envision as desirable.

Please write, I'm lonely.

# DIPLOMACY

## PRESIDENT

Roger Oliver: The next president of the IDA will be faced with the monumental task not only of re-organizing the IDA but also establishing precedents under a new constitution, re-establishing confidence in the IDA by its members and the people it deals with, dealing with the problems in regards to how the Europeans fit into all this, revising the IDA bylaws, developing amendments to bring the constitution more into focus with its intent, etc. He has been entrusted with sweeping powers to do these things but he must be willing to spend the time, endure the criticism and take the initiative in order to serve the membership well. Realizing the size and importance of the job, I feel that I possess the integrity, the time, and the patience to do the job well and I place myself at the disposal of the membership to fill this post if they choose.

Lenard Lakofka: In 1977 the President of IDA-NA will have to heal many wounds and produce many new liaisons. I believe I can do that job better than the other candidates. I am one of the coauthors of the new document designed to liberate us from the debating society that we have become. A new streamlined organization will yield more that the individual member can use and enjoy. Each member of the new Council is a working member of the body with a specific responsibility to the membership. I have had many years experience in Diplomacy Publishing, the Wargaming hobby and management. I am better qualified in this cross section of work than any other candidate. In 1977 we can not be divisive. If the hobby is to grow and prosper it must have competent qualified persons to lead it. I believe I can do that job.

Margaret Gemignani: (minor rephrasings by the Editor - BKG) I know many of you consider Gemignani a joke, fool, and capable of doing nothing but you are wrong. I intend to run on the promise of fairness for all.

Diplomacy should be reduced to a game in which we must win, anyway we can. It must be a game in which one must play to win, but play well and fair as much as possible. Stabbing is not out, stabbing for the sake of stabbing is out. Too many bad enemies have been made by players who must win and who's tactics have degenerated in some past cases to name calling letter campaigns in which players accuse other players of being thieves, and other slanderous things best left unsaid.

This policy must be stopped! People who have personal beefs against each other must not be allowed to use IDA and Diplomacy publications to feud. Anyone having legitimate grievances against anyone in the hobby will take his business before a board appointed for that purpose and air it there. No more will threats of suing and slander and talk of lawyers and legal action make everyone uncomfortable.

IDA will seek a more active role, a part in conventions and understanding among foreign publishers. This will be a year of unity.

Poor sportsmanship, lack-luster policies are not a joke and neither am I!

Raymond E Heuer: There are few of you out there who have not heard of me. This will be my third try for IDA office, the previous two being unsuccessful. Perhaps my error has been in setting too high a target for myself. In this election I continue that policy by trying for the highest office of all. It is interesting to note that I could have declined to run for President and instead run for US Projects Chairman, and thus almost certainly won a seat on the Council, but the IDA needs a responsible and efficient leader, and I think, in all modesty, that I am the best qualified for the job.

Let's go over what I've been doing for the hobby in the last year or so. I have been head of the Variant Orphan Rescue Service since its inception, since April of 1976 I have been acting Director of the Orphan Games Project, formerly handled by

Greg Warden. In these two capacities I have handled the transfers from five different defaulting publishers. In addition, I run orphans from two others publishers in my zine FallOvia.

Since late 1974 I have been custodian of the Origins numbers, altho I have only assigned a total of five numbers in that time. Finally, other than the offices that I hold in IDA, TIDA, and DNYMPA, I am head of the Diplomacy Variant Commission, the only hobby organization that has actually made postal parliamentary procedure work for any length of time.

But let's get to the IDA, I have been a member of the JudCom, and was once vice-Ombudsman under Rod Walker. I have been a member of the IDA Variant Committee before it became DVC, and head of IDA committees for Orphans and Variant Orphans. I have been one of the prime movers in trying to get more IDA attention for variants, and participated in a joint IDA-DVC meeting which I thought succeeded in that goal, but was later ignored by the IDA Council, notably Len Lakofka.

Which brings me to my next point, my opponents. It is a pretty sorry foursome to be running for the highest office in the organization if you ask me, and poor as I may be, I feel no conciet whe I say I feel I am the best of the lot. Peggy is one of the sweetest, kindest, most big-hearted persons in the hobby. That does not, however, change the fact that she was never cut out for a leadership position. She just isn't qualified to be President of IDA. Len Lakofka, on the other hand, does have leadership qualities. The same kind that Hitler, Stalin, and Mao Tse-Tung had. The kind that doesn't care what rules he breaks or who gets hurt so long as he has his own way. Two examples are his blatant refusal to pay Robert Sacks the Miller Numbers Subsidy because Sacks wouldn't run the Miller Numbers Len's way, and the convenient disappearance (somewhere between Len's house in Chicago and Alan Calhamer's in the suburbs of Chicago) of the Calhamer Awards Certificates, especially when Len disapproved of several of the Award winners. Finally, we have Roger Oliver. He has done nothing to invoke the rathof any of the hobby's special interest groups. This usually means that the person has done nothing, period, but I have no information on that either way. However, I do feel that I am better qualified for the Presidency than Roger is. Interestingly enogh, both Roger and Len announced at Origins 2 in Baltimore, that they were running for one of the Editor posts. What happened guys?

Lastly, we shall get to what I plan to do as President. Well, I'm sure that just about every candidate for office has said something about "Healing the wounds of the hobby" but I won't. All I can promise you is to cauterize them. With me on the Council, variants will have a voice in IDA affairs, for the first time since the IDA's inception (to judge from the results anyway). I think I know the deficiencies evidenced by the three former IDA Presidents (Peery, Birdan, and Lkofka), and I think I can promise not to repeat them. What I can't promise however is that I won't make up a few of my own.

In conclusion, I will just say that I hope you will cast your vote for Raymond E. Heuer and "Better government in action." Thank you.

(con't over)

Greg, who has reasonable expectation of being elected Special Projects Editor, has asked me to inform everyone that he hopes to bring out an IDA Handbook this year,

To do so, he needs vast quantities of material. Therefore, any and all of the people capable of writing are requested to offer something or things. While new material is preferable, older pieces will be given consideration.

Presently, the idea of separate sections on all the important features and areas of the game are planned: Tactics, Grand Strategy, Press, Diplomatic Technique, How to Win, How to Lose, How to Drop-out Gracefully, Backstabbing, and more if material is forthcoming.

Send all submissions to Greg Costikyan, 1675 York Ave, NY NY 10028

## OMBUDSMAN

John Baker: The position of Ombudsman requires a person who is trustworthy, reputable, experienced in the ways of Diplomacy, and able to stay noncontroversial even when in the very center of conflict. I feel that I embody all of those qualities.

It is difficult to give concrete proof of such things as trustworthiness and reputation, so I will let those who know me judge as to those points. I do have experience: I have been closely involved in the hobby for over 2½ years, both as a player and GM. In IDA I have been on the Council during the previous year, and was as active as possible, especially during the last few months, which have had most Council members resigning or becoming inactive. Nor have I been controversial: although I was closely involved with the new constitution at every point, I remained free of controversy; perhaps no other person can claim this.

If elected, I shall do my part to get IDA moving again and on an even keel. As a Council member, I will try to consider each item carefully and vote as wisely as possible. I will also try to help put into effect the positive vote of the members concerning federation. But, most of all, I will try to properly execute the proper function of this office: Mediation.

I feel that the most important part of this office is not to place blame, but to resolve disputes. Although the option of putting exceptional offenses before the Council will always be present, I shall consistently try to reduce rather than to aggravate disagreements.

Russel Fox: no statement received.

## TREASURER

Steve Brooke: I'll start with some background: I'm 34 years old, married, 2 sons - 3 years and 9 months; a Capt in the USAF for 8 years and a Missile Combat Crew Commander ((ugh-BKG)). I have been playing postal Diplomacy since 1971 and am a charter member of the IDA. I was a Secretary-at-Large in 1974 and 1975 - The only person ever to be re-elected as Sec-at-Large. As for my financial experience; I was Treasurer of the Board of Governors in college supervising a budget of about \$25,000 and am presently serving on the Officer's Club Advisory Board which controls a yearly budget of about \$400,000.

As for where I stand as far as Treasurer and the IDA, I'll make it simple - I support and will continue support projects that will benefit the hobby as a whole. Like the Boardman numbers, Miller numbers, Census, Novice Packet, and IDA Handbook. I don't belong to any regional/personality faction; I vote and speak my own mind. I believe that the IDA should continue to spend its time and money on projects that will be of use to the entire hobby. I believe in acting to solve a problem as soon as possible rather than spend 4-6 months debating it until it grows uncontrollable. I supported the new Constitution and will be able to work under effectively - if elected, I will produce accurate, timely, relevant budgets with a full accounting of 1976 as soon as possible.

Robert Sacks: I am not going to say who I am or what I have done in the hobby - if you don't know now (or even if you do) you certainly aren't going to believe my biographical data. You aren't going to believe that I have to say about my political beliefs either (whoever heard of an anarchistic bureaucrat?) either within or without the hobby. But campaign promises are usually believed, so I am going to fool all the cynics by announcing my intentions. I don't think anyone believes that the IDA would be in its present mess if I had been elected Treasurer in the last election (a different mess perhaps, but certainly not the present one). - I pledge the same attention to detail, both in fulfilling the technical duties of Treasurer and the constitutional and political duties of a member of the Council. In particular I pledge that I will not use the Treasury to coerce other officers to do my bidding as was done last year by the incumbent, that I will work towards a constitutional settlement and live within it, that I will work towards a settlement with the several regional groups and areas, that I will work towards a settlement on variants and the inclusion of a Variants Officer on the Council,

and that I will do everything legitimately possible to preserve the autonomy of hobby projects and the rights of individual members of the hobby. In sum, I am running against the Establishment of the hobby and everything they have done to ruin it.

#### PERIODICALS EDITOR:

Benjamin Grossman: Rather than quote qualifications that are either irrelevant or incapable of proof, I'll let my work stand for itself. This issue (and last) of DR are my work; and unless someone comes up with some truly brilliant suggestions, they are representative samples of what is likely to be my product as Editor.

I intend to keep DR as an impartial forum for the whole hobby, and to keep as much of my political and other commentary in my own zine of in labeled 'editorials' and use the majority of the space in DR for things of interest and import to the membership: Council doings, problems, conventions, zines, materials, and the like...useful stuff.

I can't promise to devote every waking moment to DR, I have other things to do, but I can give it enough time for an issue at least every two months, perhaps every six weeks, not to mention publishing the three or four other zines I edit, along with the games I master and the games I play, and, oh yes, school.

Judge me by my work --- nothing else really matters.

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS EDITOR

Gregory Costikyan: I'm not sure who else is running for the post, so I can't address this statement to the other candidates, so I'll have to contain myself to my qualifications.

Firstly, I have shown that I have a definite interest in the IDA. When the IDA was falling to pieces, when its President, Editor, Vice-President/Treasurer and Ombudsman had abandoned the organization like so many rats deserting a sinking ship, it was Ben Grossman, Doug Beyerlein, and myself who cared enough for the organization to step in and try to get things going again.

I have played a part in printing the past three issues of DR, and have thus shown that I can publish things for the IDA.

The duties of the Special Projects Editor, aside from his duty to involve himself in Council matters, are to produce special publications ---- large, occasional publications for the membership. As such, he must have the ability to produce massive works occasionally, even if not regularly.

Although I have a reputation for irregularity (FIRE THE ARQUEBUISERS!, my D&D zine, for instance, comes out on 'a regular 7-month schedule', and I haven't produced an issue of My sf zine, GIGO, in 6 months), I do have a good track record when it comes to putting out irregular massive publications.

I have published two issues of FIRE THE ARQUEBUSIERS!; one was 72 pages long, the other was 36. I have published five issues of GIGO, which have ranged from 24 to 48 pages in length. And I am currently engaged in the publication of ADAM KASANOF'S GREATEST HITS, a 96 page book containing the major works by this noted Diplomacy space-filling writer.

I believe that I am eminently suited for the post. And I think I can do the job.

#### US PROJECT CHAIRMAN

Jeffery Wells: I am placing my name in nomination for US Project Chairman. My newness in the hobby gives me impartiality for decisions. I support the new constitution with 2 reservations. 1) no clause to handle Conflict-of-Interest on the Council, and 2) no clause to handle Impeachment of Council by the people. If anyone would like to write to me about games, strategy, Russian History, or just to chat, write: Jeffery Wells, 301 Williams Rd, Effort PA 18330.

Bob Hartwig (Bob got shafted when I sent his original statement back for shortening before I saw anyone else's length. My apologies to all.--BKG)



To all IDA members,

Since this statement must be brief, my platforms are briefly stated below:

1. Office Sought: US Representative.
- 2 Experience: FTF Diplomacy - 5 years, PBM - 3 years. Editor/Publisher of the Podunk News - 2½ years (31 issues). IDA member -18 months.
3. US and Canadian Representatives should coordinate efforts toward resolving problems affecting both countries.
4. I would work on postal and hobbywide matters nationally.
5. We should help strengthen IDA's in other parts of the world.
6. A loose, federated, World IDA should be formed to coordinate activities of regional IDA's (examples - IDA-NA, IDA-Europe, IDA-Britain, IDA-Australia, etc.)
7. IDA-NA should deal primarily with hobby problems instead of amendments to the Constitution and By-laws. I

I sincerely hope that you will elect me to the office of US Representative of IDA Council.

#### CANADIA PROJECT CHAIRMAN

Laurence Gillespie: As should be obvious to just about everyone but Postal Diplomacy hermits by now, the IDA is in the process of destroying itself. I have watched events of the past few months with growing apprehension, as whole countries got driven out of the IDA and the very central structure of the executive collapsed. I always thought that sooner or later the procedure nuts that dominated the council, and indeed appear to still dominate the council would come to their senses and halt the IDA's headlong flight to oblivion. However, there still appears to be no end in sight to the IDA's constitutional troubles.

The IDA has the potential to act as a real stabilizing influence at a time when the hobby sorely needs one. As it is, the alienation of numerous staunch (up to now) postal players is going to hurt the hobby for a long time to come. The IDA anarchy contributes quite a bit to this, I feel.

Unlike some, however, I believe that the IDA can still survive this "reform" drive, if there is a move from within the council to terminate the internecine bickering and get the IDA moving again. Political debates are fine in their place; but the IDA is not the place for them.

I also think that there is a place for Canadians and other "foreigners" within the IDA. A 100% American N.A.D.A. would be, as the Spanish say, nothing. Yet these are precisely the people the IDA will lose if it doesn't get its head together - and SOON.

If this was an election, I suppose a word about myself would be in order. I have been a fairly enthusiastic postal player and member of the IDA for over four years now. While I have never involved myself in the inner workings of the IDA prior to this, I have been able to observe a few things about the organization and the hobby which I think might prove of value should I become Secretary. I make no pretences to knowledge about the vagaries of American Constitutional law that seems to inspire so many IDA debates these days but I do believe that no matter how badly the IDA needs an overhauled and simplified constitution, it is not worth destroying the IDA in order to get it. People who put forth three, four or even five page political articles for use in the DR or CC, no matter how intellectual or erudite they make them sound, are only serving to clog up administrative machinery that could better be used for other things. I'm afraid I don't have any sympathy with these.

I will not claim to be any better than the Canadian Secretaries the IDA has had thus far. Putting out a zine for the past two years, running a small eastern Canadian gaming org and werving on a couple of variants organizations has given me perhaps the necessary prerequisites for the job but the IDA has lost some valuable workers in the Corrells and Leeders that are even now leaving the organization. I will say that I am prepared to do my utmost to see that a viable IDA presence survives in Canada - provided the IDA shows itself prepared to take the steps necessary to pull back from the brink of complete collapse. Otherwise, I see little reason for optimism about the

very survival of the IDA.

Cal White: no statement received.

All of the above statements were printed exactly as written, with the small exception that any and all spelling errors are undoubtedly mine. All emphasis and capitalization is the writer's. Nothing has been omitted from anyone's statement.

# COUNCIL DOINGS

a recording of acts passed by the IDA Council

as of 4 feb 1977

bill nr	Neiger	Gillespie	Kelley	Baker	Diller	Grossman	Result
76.68	I	I	I	N	Y	I	FAILED
76.70	Y	I	I	Y	N	Y	PASSED
76.75	N	I	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASSED
76.76	N	I	Y	N	N	N	FAILED
76.77	N	I	N	N	N	Y	FAILED
77.1	Y	I	Y	Y	Y	I	DEBATED
77.2	Y	I	Y	Y	Y	N	PASSED
77.3	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	N	PASSED
77.4	D	I	I	N	Y	I	DEBATED
77.5	D	Y	D	N	Y	N	DEBATED
77.6	Y	N	A	Y	Y	Y	PASSED
77.7	Y	I	I	N	Y	Y	PASSED
77.8	I	I	I	-	Y	Y	PASSED
77.9	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	PASSED
77.10	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	PASSED

These actions of Council were carried out in Council Courier 77.01, which is at the present moment produced by the Editor in lieu of a President. Those who care should note that Abstain votes were counted into the total opposed, as under Council procedures, while Indifferent votes were not tallied for Passage/Failure. Dave Kadlecak, Richard Walkerdine, Larry Moran, Stephen Tihor, and Len Lakofka failed to vote this time.

The following is a short summary of text of each bill proposed. No Act numbers yet..

- 76.68 Requires JudCom to limit membership to 4 voting members beyond Chair & President.
- 76.70 Abolishes Act 76.9's committee on international communications. (P) (F)
- 76.75 To pay Scott Rosenberg \$25 help pay costs of Mimeo repair while Editor. (P)
- 76.76 To reimburse the President (Len Lakofka) for the mailing of the original copy of the new constitution and ratification ballot. (F)
- 76.77 To elect Stephen Tihor Acting President. (F)
- 77.1 The ballots for all IDA referenda and elections to go into Hoosier Archives. (D)
- 77.2 Establishes a Constitutional Revision Committee. (P)
- 77.3 To elect Len Lakofka, Laurence Gillespie, John Baker, Chuck Doeher, and Richard Walkerdine to the Constitutional Revision Committee, with John Baker Chairing. (P)
- 77.4 To find the constitutional amendment actions of Lakofka null and void. (D)
- 77.5 To appoint Marie Beyerlein to the position of acting President. (D)
- 77.6 To accept the new constitution as the will of the membership. (P)
- 77.7 To maintain the Internaitonality of IDA and implement the new constitution. (P)
- 77.8 To find correct the Constitution (new) as printed in DR V,6. (P)
- 77.9 To reimburse the Editor \$4.50 for this CC. (P)
- 77.10 To authorize the Editor to convene the Council until a President is chosen. (P)



# BALLOT

INSTRUCTIONS: For each office you may vote for only ONE candidate, either of those listed, or write in ONE candidate, or oppose all who are running for the office. You are not required to vote for all offices, but it would be appreciated.

Then take this ballot, fold it in such a way that the address of the vote-counter (below) is on the outside or enclose in an envelope and mail to the vote-counter. You must use this ballot, no facimile or copies will be counted.

Further, you must have an active membership (to 78-2 or further) at the time of the balloting deadline (below) for your vote to count. If your membership has expired, you must renew to vote.

**PRESIDENT:** The President is responsible for the day-to-day functioning of the organization and the coordination of Council proceedings. The President must be of legal age in his state or providence of residence.

Raymond E. Heuer ☐ Roger Oliver ☐ Lenard Lakofka ☐  
Margaret Gemignani ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Oppose all running ☐

**TREASURER:** The Treasurer is responsible for the day-to-day fiscal operations of the organization and maintenance of the membership list. The Treasurer must be of legal age in his state or providence of residence. Semiannually, the Treasurer will submit a budget. The dates which budgets must be submitted shall be February 1 for the fiscal period beginning April 1, and on August 1 for the period beginning on October 1. Each item of the Budget must be approved by a 5/7ths vote of the Council.

Robert Sacks ☐ Stephen Brooks ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ oppose all run ☐

**OMBUDSMAN:** The Ombudsman will mediate disputes, receive complaints, and investigate irregularities. He may make recommendations to the parties involved to assist them. He may consult the Council on the recommendations.

John M Baker ☐ Russel Fox ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Oppose all running ☐

**PERIODICALS EDITOR:** The Periodicals Editor is responsible for the regular production of a magazine of news, Council doings, etc. titled DIPLOMACY REVIEW and issued six times each year at intervals of between 7 and 9 weeks.

Benjamin Grossman ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Oppose all running ☐

**SPECIAL PROJECTS EDITOR:** The Special Projects Editor is responsible for production or at least one special publication per year.

Gregory Costikyan ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Oppose all running ☐

**US PROJECTS CHAIRMAN:** The Projects Chairmen shall be elected regionally to be responsible for those projects assigned by the Council to be accomplished on a regional basis. (Vote only if you live in the United States).

Bob Hartwig ☐ Jeffery Wells ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Oppose all running ☐

**CANADIAN PROJECTS CHAIRMAN:** same as US (Vote only if you live in Canada).

Cal White ☐ Laurence Gillespie ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Oppose all running ☐

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Len Lakofka reports that there are NO more copies of the 1975 Handbook, so please don't send him any more orders for them. The Publishers Handbook (\$2, \$2.50 for non-members) is still availalbe, write Len for further information.

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